

Sunday, February 4, 2024

First Presbyterian Church 101 - 6th Ave. NW Kasson, MN

First Presbyterian Church Kasson, MN Brian Rohr - Music

February 4, 2024 Rev. Loren Olson

10:00 AM

We Approach God

Announcements Prelude

*Call to Worship:

L: Come, rejoice and sing! God's love is showered over you this day.

P: We gather to praise God and celebrate God's presence with us.

L: God shows compassion to all who are weak and downtrodden.

P: Jesus Christ offers healing mercies to our troubled souls.

L: Praise be to God who has called us here.

P: Thanks be to God for God's eternal love. AMEN.

* Hymn No. 475 "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

* Prayer of Confession

How can we look at this world and not sing of your praises, O God? The beauty and majesty of the world is overpowering! Yet we have a tendency to take all that you do for us for granted. We treat the world with callous indifference, using its resources carelessly and with little regard to the future. We insist on war as solutions for problems rather than peaceful striving. We turn our backs on people in need, the weak and downtrodden go unnoticed in our midst. We always believe that someone else will care for those in need. How foolish we are, O God! How ignorant we have become! You have given to us all that we need. You have blessed us with the witness of Jesus Christ who came so that we might learn how you would have us live, in honor and peace. Forgive us. Heal our hearts and spirits. Make us fully aware of all our blessings and our responsibilities. Give us again a spirit of joy in serving you. Help us be agents of peace and hope to others. For we offer this prayer in Jesus' Name. AMEN.

* Assurance of Grace

Jesus has come to heal our spirits and our souls. The demons of arrogance, indifference and apathy are being cast out. New life is offered to you in Jesus Christ. Rejoice! Be Glad! For God's love is poured out to you this day. AMEN.

*Gloria Patri Hymn No. 581 Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

We are Inspired by God

Prayer of Illumination

Responsive Reading: Psalm 147:1-11, 20c

L: Praise the Lord! How good it is to sing praises to our God; for he is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.

P: The Lord builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the outcasts of Israel.

L: He heals the brokenhearted, and binds up their wounds.

P: He determines the number of the stars; he gives to all of them their names.

L: Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure.

P: The Lord lifts up the downtrodden; he casts the wicked to the ground.

L: Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; make melody to our God on the lyre.

P: He covers the heavens with clouds, prepares rain for the earth, makes grass grow on the hills.

L: He gives to the animals their food, and to the young ravens when they cry.

P: His delight is not in the strength of the horse, nor his pleasure in the speed of a runner;

L: but the Lord takes pleasure in those who fear him, in those who hope in his steadfast love.

All: Praise the Lord!

Scripture: Isaiah 40:21-31 Pg. 817-818 OT

1 Corinthians 9:16-23 Pg. 209 NT Mark 1:29-39 Pg. 43 NT

Sermon: Rise Up and Go Rev. Loren Olson

*Hymn No. 157 "Lord of the Dance"

We Respond to God

*Affirmation of Faith from the Apostles Creed (in Unison)

I Believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His Only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but
deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power
and the glory, forever. Amen.

Call for Offering: Anything \$20 or less is counted for our loose offering and goes toward supporting local and international church mission.

Offertory

*Doxology No. 606

Prayer of Dedication:

God of new life, out of the abundance of our lives we offer these gifts to you. Through your blessing and our willingness to share, may these offerings become a source for hope and love in this church family, and in the community beyond us, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Hymn No. 726 "Will You Come and Follow Me?"

*Dismissal No. Hymn 542 (God Be with You Till We Meet Again) "God be with you till we meet again; loving counsels guide, uphold you, with a shepherds care enfold you, God be with you till we meet again."

PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL THE CHURCH OFFICE IF YOU, A LOVED ONE, OR A MEMBER IS IN NEED OF PRAYERS. BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Thank you to Rev. Loren Olson For providing today's worship service.

Please keep our prayers for: Donna Dohrmann, Kristy Johnson, Carol Prenzlow, Elaine Gransee and Ruth Allen for strength and healing.

Special Dates in February

Wednesday, February 14 Happy Valentine's Day

Ash Wednesday

Monday, February 19 Presidents Day

Friday, February 21 Deadline for March Newsletter

Sunday, February 25 Communion

Installation of Officers

Tuesday, February 27 Session Meeting @ 6:00 pm

Please pick up your offering envelops and 2023 donations receipts. They are on the round table in the corner. The 2023Annual Report and Church Directory are available also.

Treasurer's Report:

Receipts December 2023	\$ 8,611.16
Expenses December 2023	\$ 3,330.13
Balance December 2023	\$ 5,281.03
Needed weekly	\$ 2,381.04
Needed monthly	\$ 10,317.85

^{*}Benediction

^{*}Postlude